FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person* HULSE W MICHAEL							2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MURPHY OIL CORP /DE [MUR]								f Reporting Person(s) to Issuer able) 10% Owner (give title Other (specif			vner
(Last) (First) (Middle) 200 PEACH STREET P.O. BOX 7000						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/04/2006								below)				,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,
(Street)			71731-7 (Zip)	000	4. 1	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Che Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Form filed by More than One Person										orting Perso	n	
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transact Date (Month/Day						Execution Date,					4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a			Benefici Owned I	es Forn ially (D) o Following (I) (II		n: Direct r Indirect istr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
								Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reporte Transac (Instr. 3	tion(s)			(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock 08/04/20						006		M		10,000	A	\$16.371	9 66,707			D		
Common Stock 08/04/20)06		S		10,000	D	\$50.484	8 56	,707		D		
Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																		
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		4. Transa Code (8)				6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactie (Instr. 4)	e s Illy	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa	able	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					
Stock Option	\$16.3719	08/04/2006			М			10,000	02/04/20	000	02/04/2007	Common Stock	10,000	\$0	0		D	

Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

/s/ Walter K. Compton, 08/04/2006 Attorney-in-Fact

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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